depending on various factors like purity, place of origin, demand and supply, etc.

(b) and (c) From the markings and other indications on the packages, it appears that the drug was smuggled from across the Indo-Pak border. Five persons were arrested in the case for taking appropriate action under the law.

Deployment of Indo-Tibetan Border Police for Bank Security in Punjab

1014. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY :

SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Central Government have directed the Indo-Tibetan Border Police to take over the security arrangements of all the nationalised banks in Punjab, and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) : (a) and (b) Six Bns. of Indo-Tibetan Border Police have been sanctioned for the security of Banks in Punjab. The Bns. are under raising at present.

Tampering of Tea packed for Export to West Asia

1015. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY :

SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK :

SHRI SHARAD YADAV :

SHRI RAM NARESH KUSHAWAHA :

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item which appeared in the 'Times of India' of the 25th October, 1987, to the effect that tea packed for export to West Asia was found to have been tampered with at the warehouses before it was shipped out of Calcutta;

(b) whether any inquiry has been instituted into the matter; and

(c) if so, what action has been taken against persons found involved in this act ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI) : (a) M/s. Balmer Lawrie & Co. Ltd. (A Govt. of India Enterprise) were to export 1400 metric tons of tea to the Govt. Trading Corporation, Iran The company engaged the services of M/s. Milton Tea Packaging & Consultants Pvt. Ltd., Calcutta who were operating from a hired godown. While weighment of inspected/approved original teas was in progress prior to gunny wrapping and shipment, one of the tea chests accidentally fell down and split open. The company supervisor present on the spot found that the contents of the broken chests were grossly inferior to the original sampled tea. All other chests which were already approved were opened and they *prima facie* appeared to be tampered with.

(b) and (c) A police case has been filed at the Garden Reach police station. M/s. Balmer Lawrie & Co. Ltd. has taken action to recall and withhold shipment of all teas which have been processed at the above contractors godown earlier and were awaiting shipment to the docks. The Company has decided to carry out reinspection of all teas processed in the above contractors godown before these are eventually exported. The local representative of the importing organisation has been apprised of the situation and assured that if any chest out of the present shipment is found to contain inferior tea the same will be replaced free of cost.

हिन्दी सलाहकार समिति

1016 : **श्री जगम्बी प्रसाद यादव :**
श्री राम चन्द्र विकल :

क्या **वाणिज्य** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) हिन्दी सलाहकार समिति की गत बैठक में राजभाषा अधिनियम और वार्षिक